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SUBJECT: Alfred Epaminondas SARANT, was.  
Espionage - R  
REFERENCE: DFB-12171  
ID: ☐ ☐

TO: Director, FBI  
FROM: ADSO

1. Reference is made to previous correspondence on the above subject and specifically to your memorandum of 24 September 1951.

2. This is to advise you that to date extensive investigation by this Agency's representatives in ☐ has failed to develop any information concerning the present whereabouts of subject or his companion, Carol Dorothy DAYTON. Investigation is ☐ is continuing in an effort to ascertain, if possible, if and by what means ~~the~~ subject left that country, and you will of course be advised of any results as received.

3. The connection between the SARANTs and the Murray J. ROSSANTs, as pointed out in your memorandum of 24 September, is of extreme interest. This is the first instance, to our knowledge, of any of the individuals involved in the Soviet atomic espionage activity centering around Dr. Klaus FUCHS being likewise associated with Israeli Intelligence personnel although, as you are aware, the majority of the individuals are of Jewish descent. We are presently reviewing our files on the Israeli Intelligence Service in order to ascertain whether any further data can be developed which would assist in clarifying the relationship between subject, Mrs. Victor K. D. Ross, the Murray J. ROSSANTs, and Ben NATHAN. The latter individual, incidentally, has reportedly resigned from his position as head of the Israeli Intelligence Service in Western Europe.

4. In connection with the above, it would be appreciated if you would furnish us with any additional data available to you concerning subject which would assist us in our efforts to ascertain whether he has had any associations with known Israeli intelligence personnel. It is suggested that the names of references which subject gave in applying for his various positions, his ostensibly social contacts in New York, and particularly those of his wife and mother-in-law, might be profitably studied.

5. In the meantime our appropriate representatives abroad have been briefed on subject's case and have been directed to utilize all available facilities in an effort to determine if subject is presently located in Western Europe or Israel. Should subject's present location be ascertained further investigation of his current activities and contacts will be conducted and you will be so advised.

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